



**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
***Municipal Police Training Academy***

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## **RIMPTA Training Announcement**

### **Suicide: Screening, Prevention, & Response Training**

**Program Date:**      **December 21, 2021**

**Time:**                      **0900 – 1200 hours**

**Location:**                **RI Department of Public Safety**  
                                 **RIMPTA Classroom**  
                                 **CCRI Lincoln**

The first step in effective suicide prevention is to identify someone in need of help. Asking three to six simple questions can help determine whether someone needs help and if immediate action is needed.

When responding on scene, law enforcement officers often find themselves not only supporting the individual in crisis, but also their family and friends. In this training, officers will learn to administer the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale-Screen Version (C-SSRS Screener) which is an evidence-based tool used to identify if there is a mental health crisis and what level of emergency intervention the individual may require. Participants will have the opportunity to practice using the C-SSRS Screener in a safe supportive environment using video demonstrations, case studies and role plays. Participants will also review current national and Rhode Island statistics on suicide and learn risk factors, warning signs, and myths surrounding suicide. Local resources will also be identified for participants.

**Who should attend: Mental Health Crisis Response Team (MHCRT) officers, Peer Support team members, patrol officers, First Line Supervisors, and School Resource Officers.**

Dress for this workshop will be uniform of the day or business casual attire.

This workshop is offered free of charge. To register, please complete the attached registration form and fax or e-mail to Mrs. Donna Lavalley at (401) 205-2501, [donna.lavalley@risp.gov](mailto:donna.lavalley@risp.gov), by Friday, December 17, 2021.

For any questions regarding the training, please contact Steve Lombardi, Director of Continuing Education, at (401) 205-1678, or [stephen.lombardi@risp.gov](mailto:stephen.lombardi@risp.gov).

For more information regarding the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety Municipal Police Training Academy please go to: [www.rimpa.ri.gov](http://www.rimpa.ri.gov).



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